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MSHA seeks to hire more mine inspectors in Kentucky *Coal inspector positions available in Beaver Dam, Madisonville and Morganfield*

ARLINGTON, Va. – The U.S. Department of Labor’s Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) is continuing its efforts to hire new coal mine inspectors for surface, underground and electrical positions in Beaver Dam, Madisonville and Morganfield, Ky., by conducting applicant screenings July 28 and 29 at Madisonville Community College, John H. Gray Building, 2000 College Drive, Madisonville, Ky.

Interested citizens who have not previously registered via MSHA’s Web site are welcome to attend, subject to space availability. Registration will begin at 7 a.m. and testing will begin at 8 a.m. EDT.

“We’re interested in hiring individuals who want to dedicate themselves to our mission and help us eliminate hazards that threaten working miners,” said Richard E. Stickler, assistant secretary of labor for mine safety and health. “This agency needs motivated professionals eager to help us continue to protect the mining industry’s number one resource — miners.”

MSHA is the federal agency charged with inspection of mining operations nationwide for adherence to regulations designed to protect the safety and health of working miners. These screenings are being conducted under the agency’s ongoing Mine Inspector Career Trainee Program.

Everyone attending the screenings should bring a completed resume and photo identification. Check MSHA’s Web site at www.msha.gov to confirm the status of the screenings before traveling to the site.

All applicants will be notified of test results. Selected candidates will participate in a formal two-year training program, should be able to perform arduous duties and can expect a starting annual salary of about \$43,000. In addition to a 40-hour workweek with generous annual, sick and holiday leave, selected candidates are offered health, life and long-term care insurance; a stable retirement program, including a tax-deferred savings plan; travel reimbursement; and flexible spending accounts for medical and dental expenses.

For additional information, please visit the Inspector Career Trainee Program Web site at www.msha.gov/Inspectors/InspectorsInternProgram.asp.

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